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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. **678**

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***"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES STRATEGY BOARD."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) There shall be a Health and  
4 Human Services Cabinet. For the first two years of the cabinet, the  
5 chairpersons of the cabinet shall be the Governor or the Governor's  
6 designee and the Senate chair of the joint standing committee of the  
7 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human  
8 services, or the Senate chair's designee. For the final two years of the  
9 cabinet, the chairpersons shall be the Governor or the Governor's  
10 designee and the House of Representatives chair of the joint standing  
11 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
12 relating to appropriations, or the House of Representatives chair's

13 designee. The cabinet shall consist of the Commissioners of the  
14 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department  
15 of Developmental Services, the Department of Social Services, the  
16 Department of Public Health, the Department of Children and  
17 Families, and the Department of Correction, or the commissioners'  
18 designees, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the  
19 secretary's designee, the Executive Directors of the Judicial Branch  
20 Court Support Services Division and of the Children's Trust Fund or  
21 the executive directors' designees, and the following appointees: (1)  
22 Two by the Governor, one of whom shall be a provider of health and  
23 human services and one of whom shall be a parent of a child or adult  
24 with disabilities; (2) one by the president pro tempore of the Senate,  
25 upon the recommendation of the executive director of Council 4  
26 AFSCME; (3) one by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who  
27 shall have knowledge in the area of social services; (4) one by the  
28 majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have  
29 knowledge of economics; (5) one by the majority leader of the Senate,  
30 who shall have knowledge of Medicaid policy; (6) one by the minority  
31 leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have knowledge of  
32 mental health issues; (7) one by the minority leader of the Senate, who  
33 shall have knowledge of purchase of service agreements; (8) one by the  
34 speaker of the House of Representatives upon the recommendation of  
35 the chief executive officer of the Connecticut Community Providers  
36 Association; (9) one by the president pro tempore of the Senate upon  
37 the recommendation of the executive director of the Connecticut  
38 Association of Nonprofits; (10) one by the majority leader of the House  
39 of Representatives who shall have knowledge of services provided by  
40 The Arc of Connecticut; (11) one by the majority leader of the Senate  
41 upon the recommendation of the president of SEIU 1199; (12) one by  
42 the minority leader of the Senate who shall have knowledge of the  
43 labor market; and (13) one by the minority leader of the House of  
44 Representatives who shall have knowledge of issues before the  
45 Connecticut Nonprofit Human Services Cabinet.

46 (2) All initial appointments to the cabinet shall be made not later

47 than August 1, 2008. Any vacancy thereafter shall be filled by the  
48 appointing authority. The cochairpersons shall convene the first  
49 meeting of the cabinet not later than September 1, 2008.

50 (3) The cabinet may, within available appropriations, contract with  
51 consultants having expertise in the areas of economics, labor, higher  
52 education or accounting to assist the board in carrying out its duties,  
53 and it may receive funds from any public or private source to carry out  
54 its activities.

55 (4) The cabinet shall be located within the Office of Policy and  
56 Management for administrative purposes only.

57 (b) (1) On or before December 15, 2008, with respect to not-for-profit  
58 community providers providing services under purchase of service  
59 agreements, the cabinet shall, within available appropriations: (A)  
60 Identify funding issues, (B) develop proposed budget  
61 recommendations, (C) categorize community providers by function,  
62 financial status, constituency served or any other relevant category  
63 that will demonstrate the financial status of any community provider  
64 or groups of community providers, and (D) identify best practices  
65 regarding funding and funding structures in this state or other states.  
66 For purposes of subparagraph (c), "financial status" means the ability  
67 of the community provider to appropriately meet the needs of its  
68 clients and its mission in a sustainable way.

69 (2) On or before June 30, 2009, the cabinet shall, within available  
70 appropriations: (A) Conduct a statewide assessment of the system  
71 structure serving the state, (B) assess the contracting processes and  
72 make suggestions for streamlining, transparency and accountability,  
73 (C) identify a sustainable funding structure, and (D) develop results  
74 based accountability measures for the human services delivery system.

75 (3) On or before January 1, 2010, the cabinet shall establish an  
76 integrated strategic plan for serving Connecticut's health and human  
77 service needs that shall include, but not be limited to, identifying an  
78 integrated, outcome-based service system that maximizes federal and

79 state funding, a sustainable funding structure that specifically  
80 addresses long-term funding solutions for not-for-profit community  
81 providers providing services under purchase of service contracts,  
82 methods for interdepartmental cooperation, methods for colocation of  
83 services, cooperative programming, and cooperative purchasing  
84 agreements.

85 (c) No later than December 31, 2012, the cabinet shall recommend to  
86 the Governor, the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
87 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and human  
88 services, a governance plan that identifies the appropriate coordinating  
89 entity to implement the statewide Health and Human Services Plan.  
90 The cabinet shall terminate upon submission of such  
91 recommendations."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section